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Bodies of Two Fishermen Found

HUNTINGTON BEACH - The bodies of the two fishermen missing from a boat found adrift at Bolsa Chica State Beach on November 24th have been found. Both bodies were found within a day of each other but were approximately four miles apart.

On December 2nd at approximately 5 p.m., Huntington Beach City Lifeguards found a body in the surf line near the Huntington Beach Pier. City Lifeguards recovered the body and contacted the Huntington Beach Police, State Lifeguards, and the Orange County Coroners department. The body was recovered approximately 4 miles south of where the boat had been previously found adrift. The Orange County Coroners office took possession of the body and identified the man as Dae Kyu Kim. Family members of Mr. Kim were notified after Kim had been positively identified.

On December 3rd at approximately 4:30 p.m., State Lifeguards recovered the body of the second missing fisherman and contacted the Huntington Beach Police as well as the Coroners department. The second fisherman's body was found in the surf line at Bolsa Chica State Beach, about ¼ mile north of where the boat had been found. The Coroners office took possession of the body and positively identified the man as Hyong Kum Kim. The Coroners office then notified family members.

Several lifeguard agencies have been actively searching for these two individuals since the boat came ashore on November 24th. The identities of the missing men were first determined through the use of two cell phones and a wallet found on the 22-foot fishing boat.

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